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SETTLEMENT AGAINST HODGES GOLF IMPROVEMENT CENTER FOR UNDERPAYMENT OF RENT TO CITY

City Attorney obtains \$123,374.91 settlement

San Diego, CA: The City Attorney's Office obtained a \$123,374.91 settlement with Hodges Golf Improvement Center, [Hodges], a private business that built a golf course in the community of Rancho Bernando. In 2001, Hodges signed a lease agreement with the City that entitles the City to a percentage of the gross income of the golf center and to pay for the use of well-water. However, two City audits discovered Hodges had short-changed the City \$119,765.39 in rent and failed to pay \$3,609.53 for water usage. After several meetings Hodges agreed to dismiss their claim for \$120,000 reimbursement against the City and pay the \$123,374.91 in back rent and water usage. The case was handled by Yolanda Gammill, Head of the Civil Enforcement Unit of the City Attorney's Office.

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